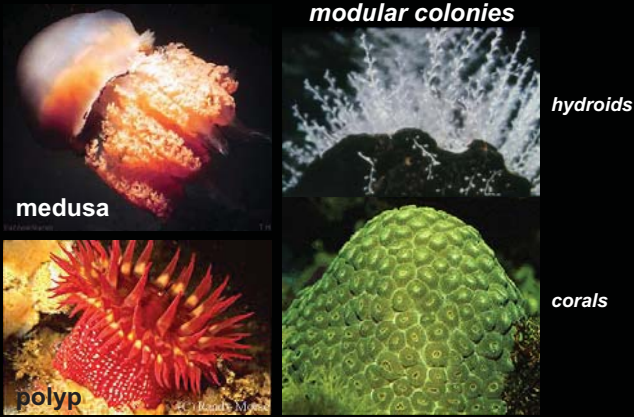
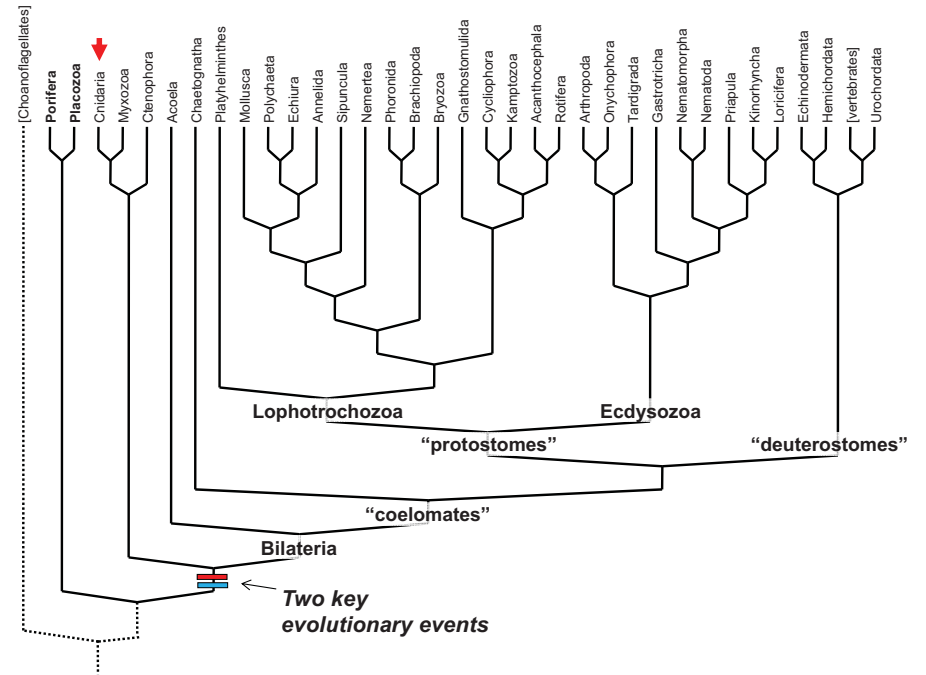


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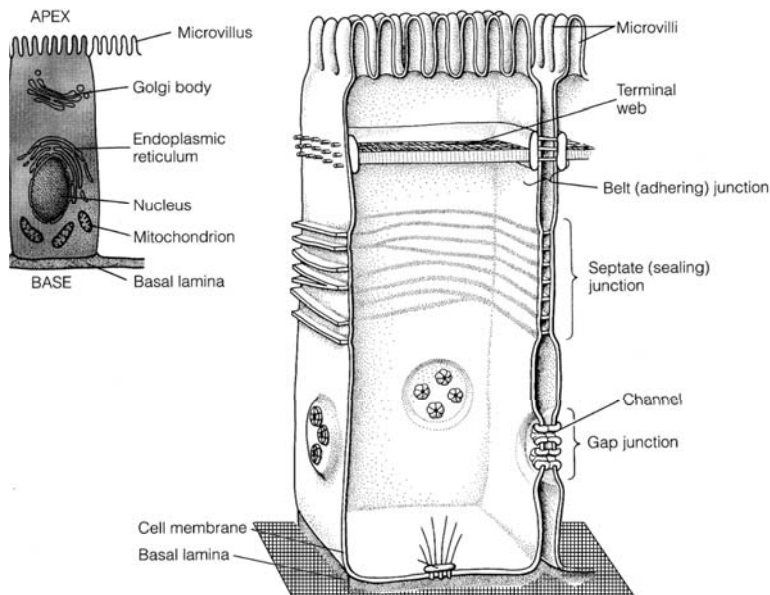
- Cl. Hydrozoa
- Cl. Anthozoa
- Cl. Scyphozoa
- Cl. Cubozoa



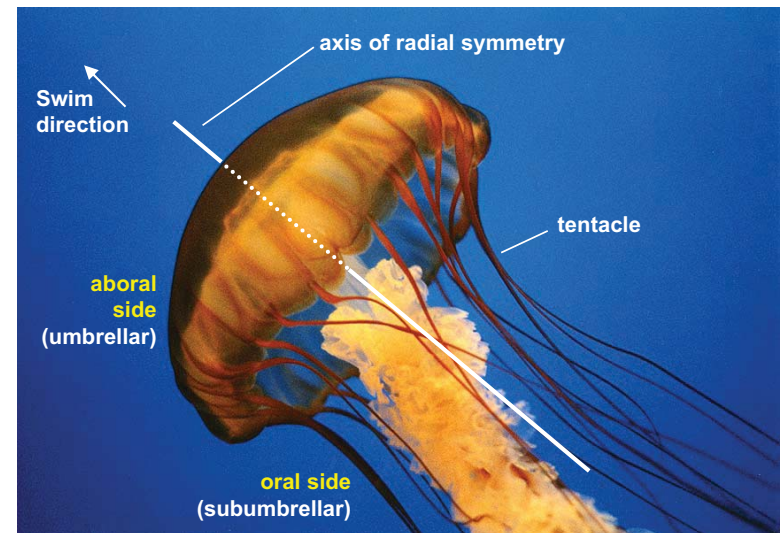
variation in a complicated life cycle



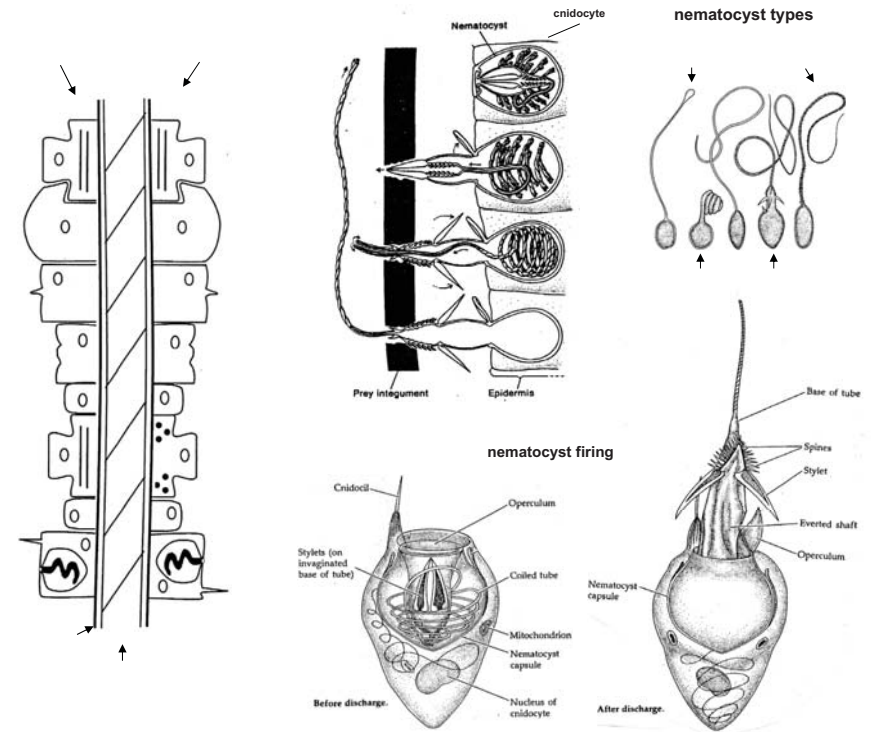
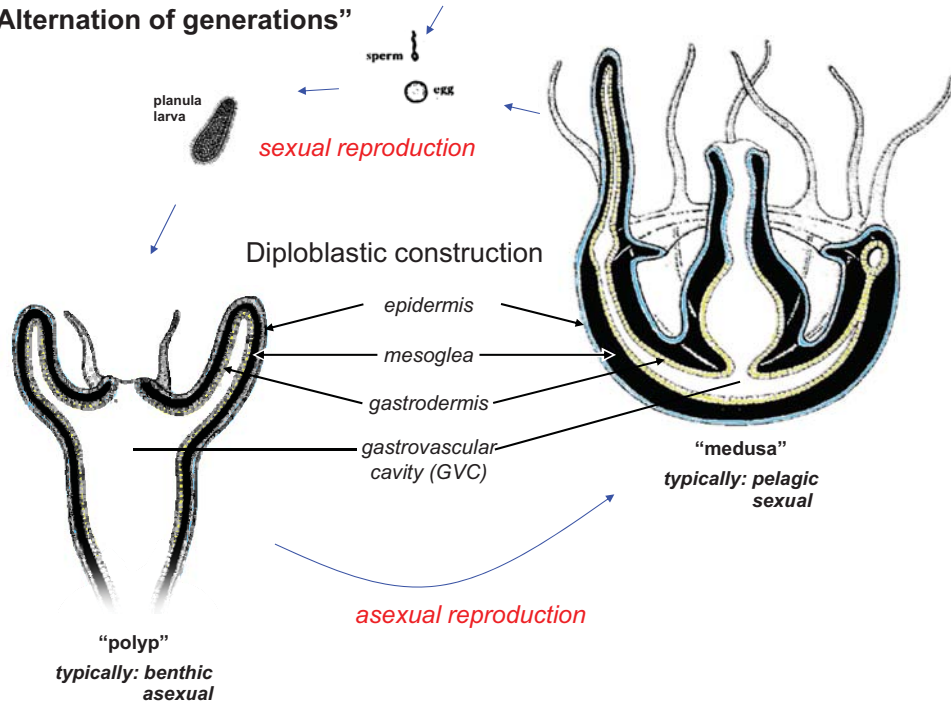
## Major event #1: evolution of epithelia



## Major event #2: evolution of a body axis



# "Alternation of generations"



## Ph. Cnidaria

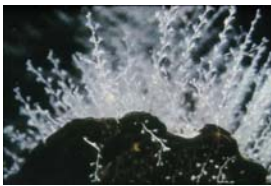
### Cl. Hydrozoa

- colonial hydroids
- smaller jellyfish
- siphonophores



### Cl. Anthozoa

- sea anemones
- corals
- sea pens



### Cl. Scyphozoa

- large jellyfish
- stauromedusae

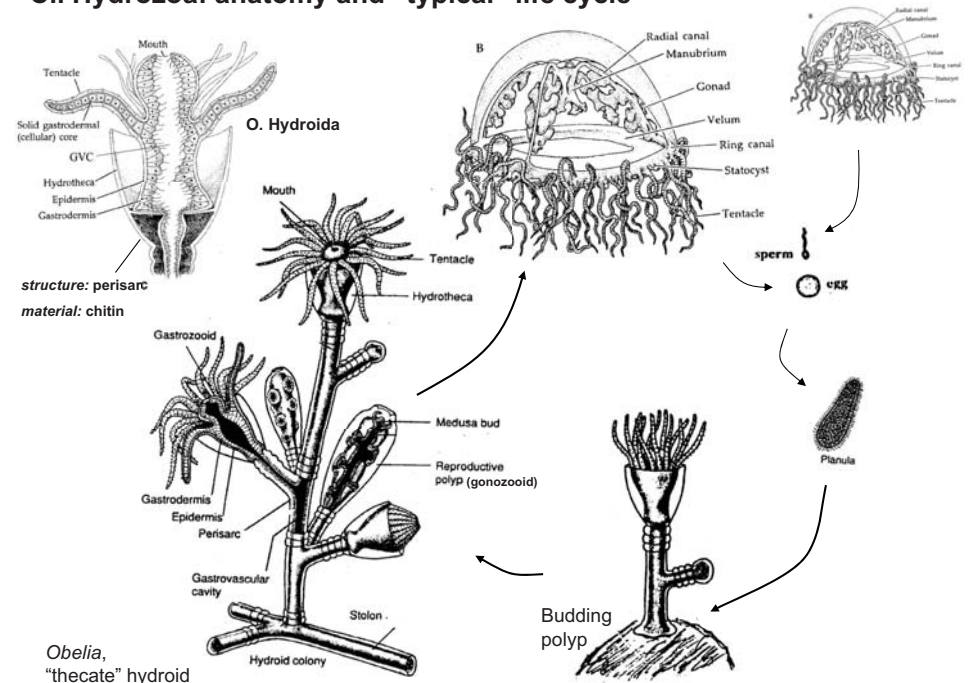


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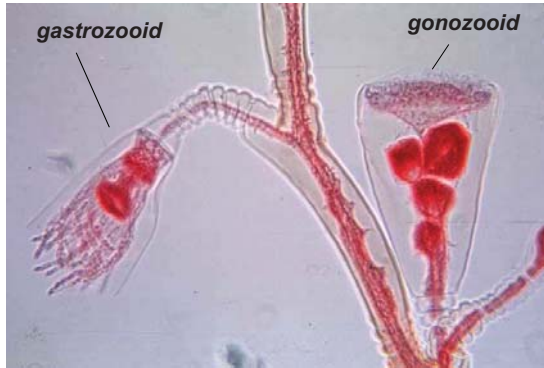
- sea wasps



## Cl. Hydrozoa: anatomy and "typical" life cycle



## Polymorphism and zooid specialization in hydroid colonies



**polymorphic** (*Gonothyrea* sp.)  
separate gastrozooid and gonozooid



**monomorphic** (*Tubularia larynx*)  
medusoids on single zooid type

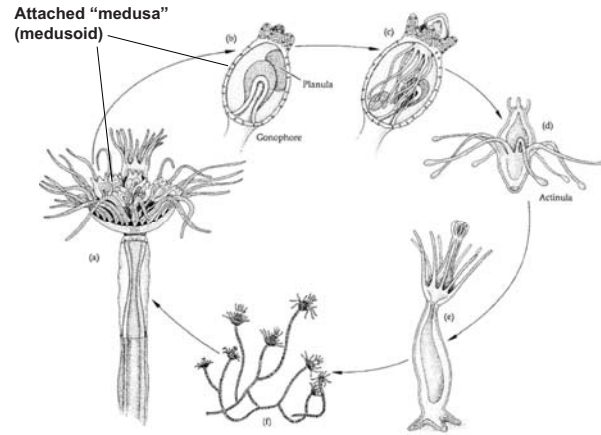
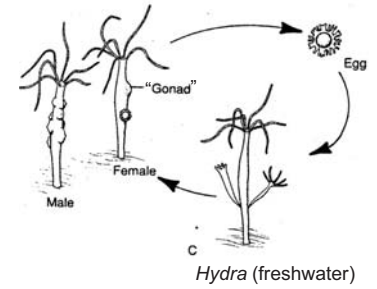
## Cl. Hydrozoa: some life cycle alternatives

Are medusa and polyp...

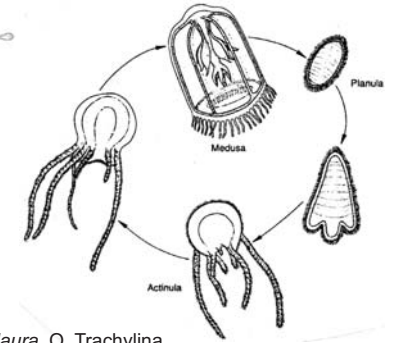
- present or absent?
- sexual or asexual?
- pelagic or benthic?

Is the species...

- if polyp, solitary or colonial?
- if colonial, polymorphic or monomorphic?



*Tubularia*,  
"athecate" hydroid



*Aglaura*, O. *Trachylina*

## Cl. Hydrozoa: polymorphic pelagic colonies

## Ph. Cnidaria

### Cl. Hydrozoa

- colonial hydroids
- smaller jellyfish
- siphonophores

### Cl. Anthozoa

- sea anemones
- corals
- sea pens

### Cl. Scyphozoa

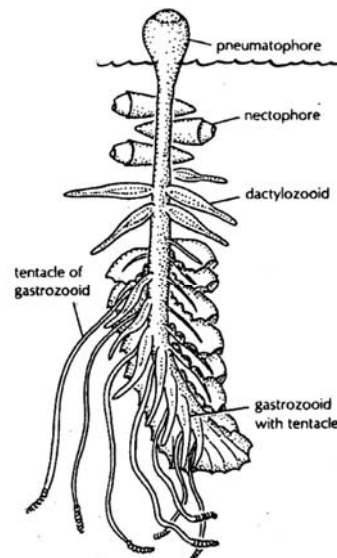
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- stauromedusae

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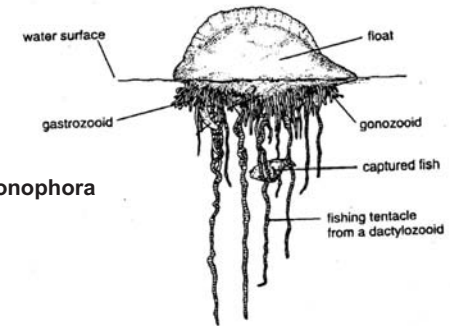
- sea wasps



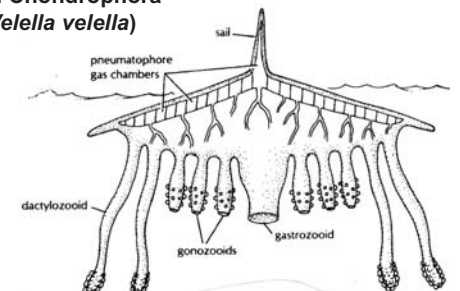
• chondrophores



### O. Siphonophora



### O. Chondrophora (*Velella velella*)



# Ph. Cnidaria

## Cl. Hydrozoa

colonial hydroids  
smaller jellyfish  
siphonophores

## Cl. Anthozoa

• sea anemones  
scleractinian corals  
sea pens

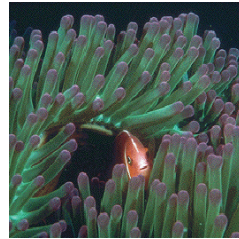
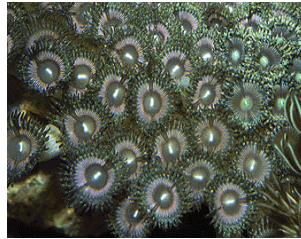
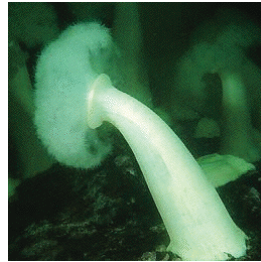
## Cl. Scyphozoa

large jellyfish  
stauromedusae

## Cl. Cubozoa

sea wasps

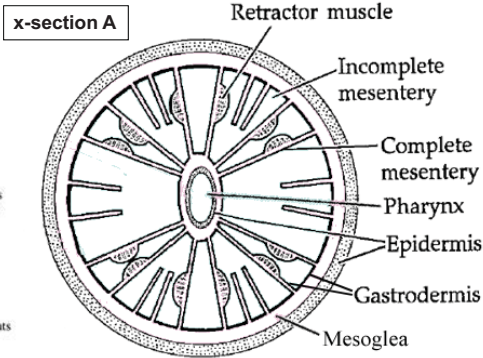
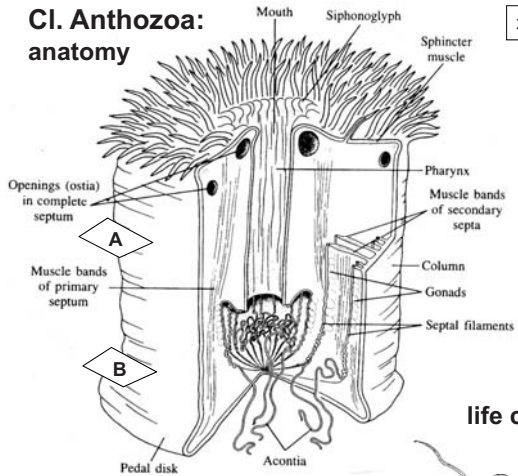
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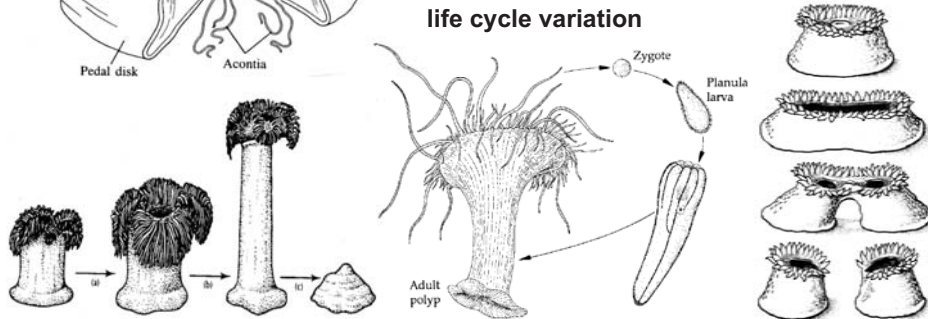
siphonoglyphs



### Cl. Anthozoa: anatomy



### life cycle variation



# Ph. Cnidaria

### Subcl. Hexacorallia (= Zoantharia)

## Cl. Hydrozoa

colonial hydroids  
smaller jellyfish  
siphonophores

## Cl. Anthozoa

sea anemones  
• scleractinian corals  
soft corals, sea pens, etc.

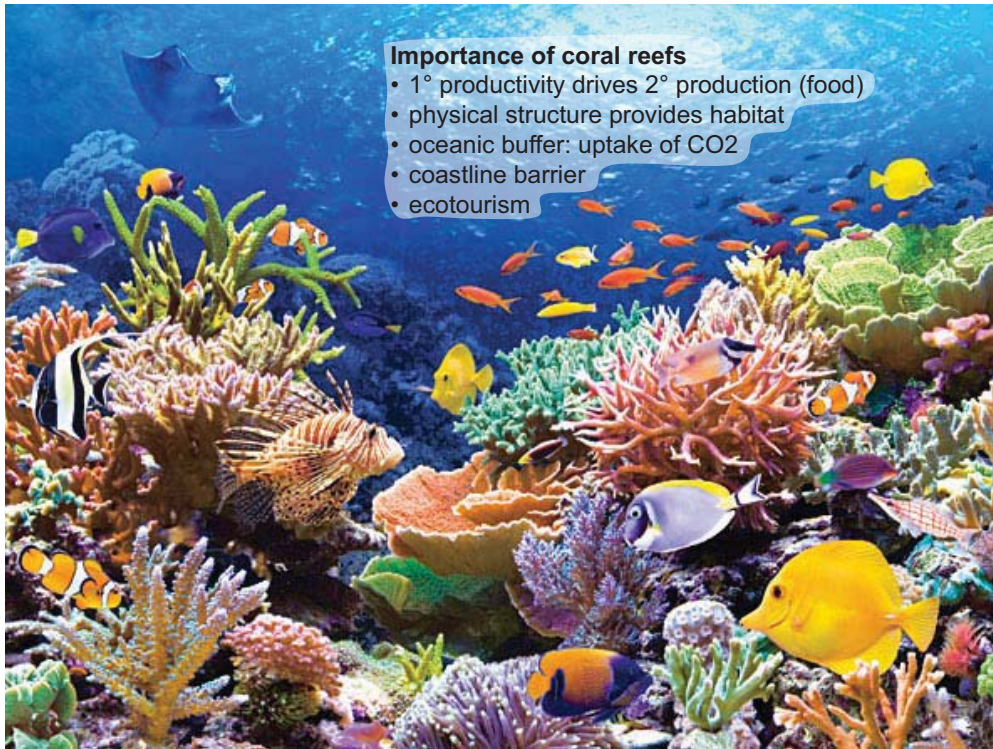
## Cl. Scyphozoa

large jellyfish  
stauromedusae

## Cl. Cubozoa

sea wasps





**Importance of coral reefs**

- 1° productivity drives 2° production (food)
- physical structure provides habitat
- oceanic buffer: uptake of CO<sub>2</sub>
- coastline barrier
- ecotourism

Q: Why are tropical coral reef waters so clear?

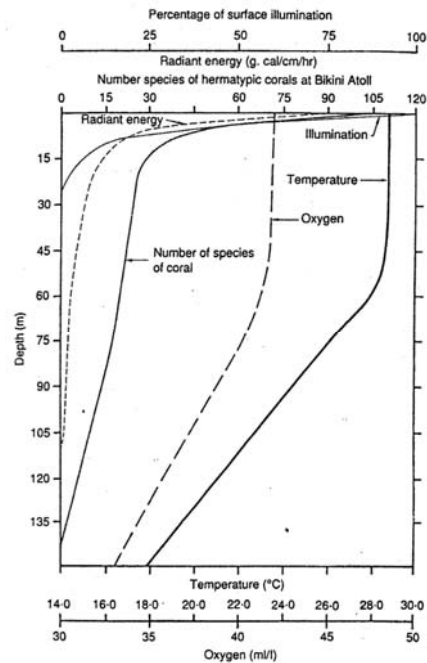
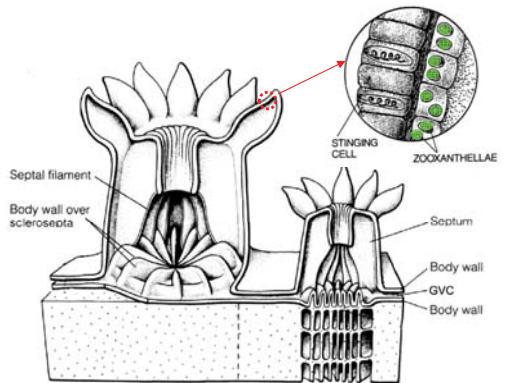
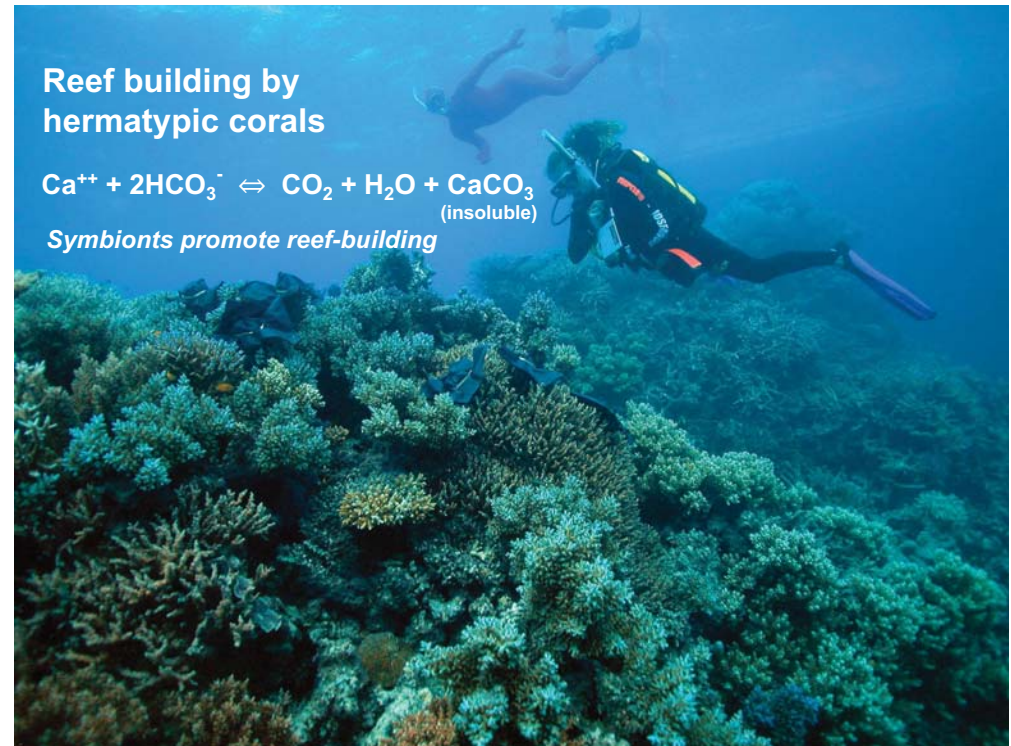


FIGURE 4-59 Distribution of coral reefs today (heavy shading).

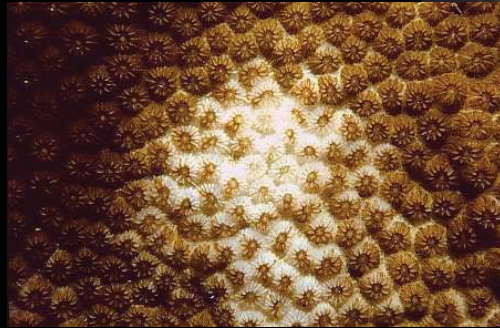
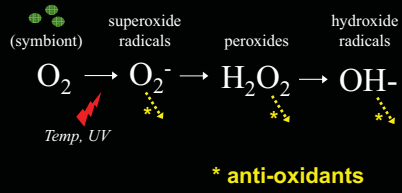
**Reef building by hermatypic corals**



*Symbionts promote reef-building*



# Coral bleaching



# Ph. Cnidaria

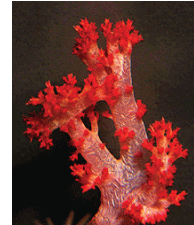
Subcl. **Octacorallia**  
(= Alcyonaria)

**Cl. Hydrozoa**  
colonial hydroids  
smaller jellyfish  
siphonophores

**Cl. Anthozoa**  
sea anemones  
corals  
• sea pens, gorgonians etc.

**Cl. Scyphozoa**  
large jellyfish  
stauromedusae

**Cl. Cubozoa**  
sea wasps



# Ph. Cnidaria

**Cl. Hydrozoa**  
colonial hydroids  
smaller jellyfish  
siphonophores

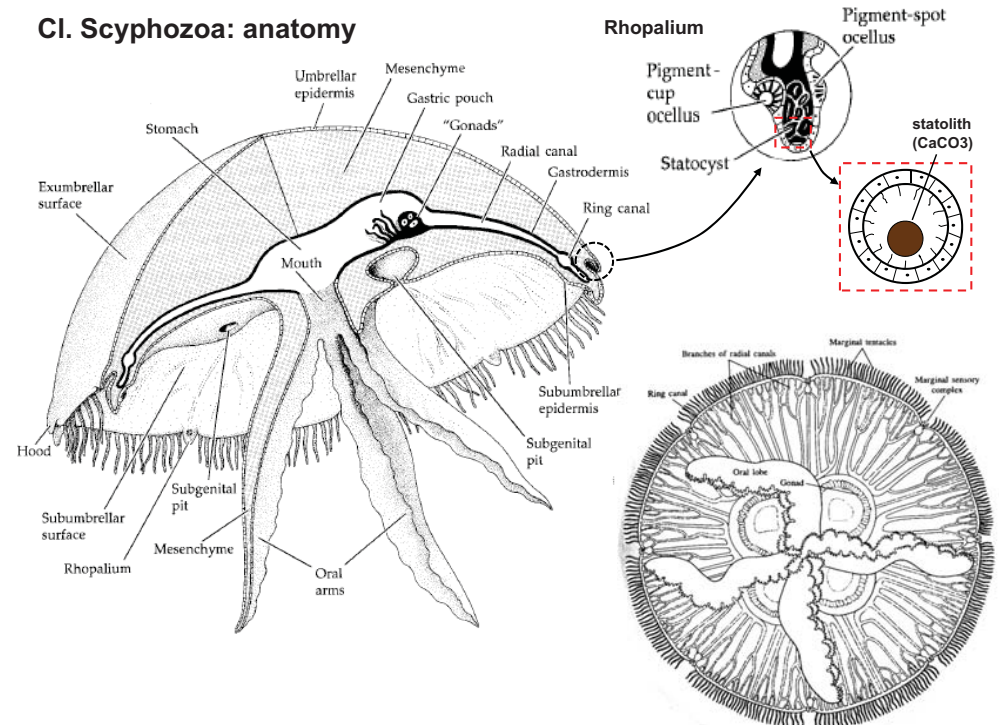
**Cl. Anthozoa**  
sea anemones  
corals  
sea pens

**Cl. Scyphozoa**  
• large jellyfish  
stauromedusae

**Cl. Cubozoa**  
sea wasps



## Cl. Scyphozoa: anatomy



# Cl. Scyphozoa

asexual reproduction: transverse division of entire polyp



scyphistoma (polyp phase)

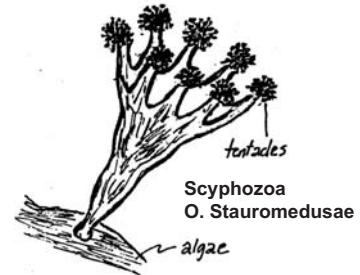
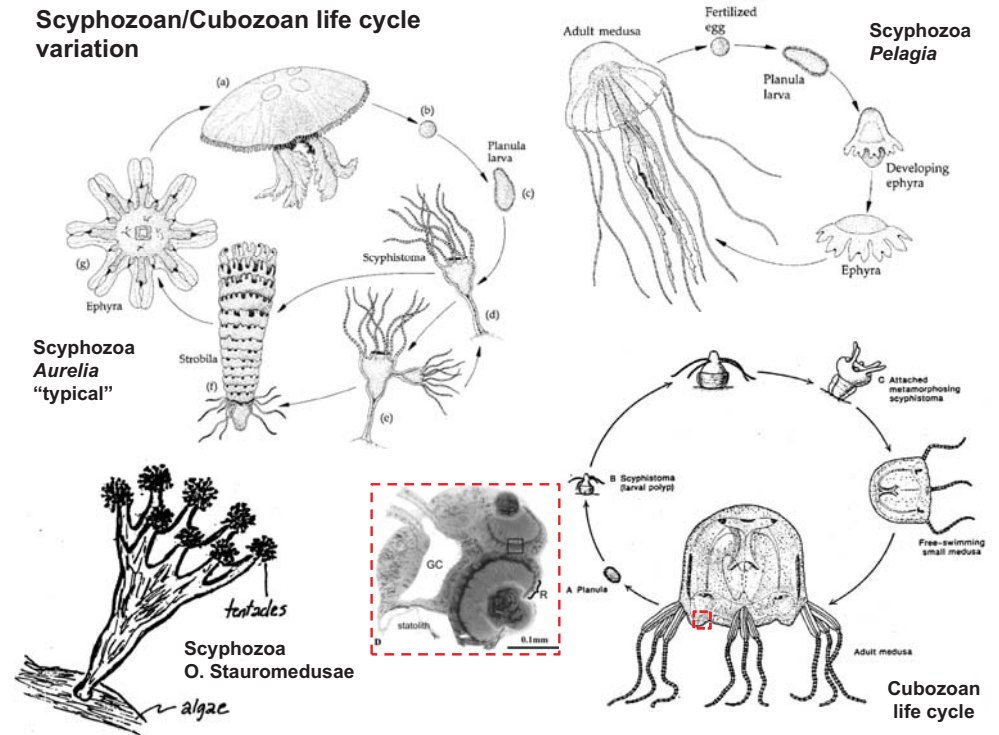


strobilation (transverse division)



ephyrae (young medusae)

## Scyphozoan/Cubozoan life cycle variation



Scyphozoa O. Stauromedusae

# Ph. Cnidaria

## Cl. Hydrozoa

colonial hydroids  
smaller jellyfish  
siphonophores

## Cl. Anthozoa

sea anemones  
corals  
sea pens

## Cl. Scyphozoa

large jellyfish  
• stauromedusae

## Cl. Cubozoa

sea wasps



# Ph. Cnidaria

## Cl. Hydrozoa

colonial hydroids  
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sea wasps

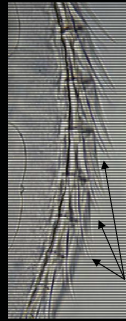


# Ph. Ctenophora

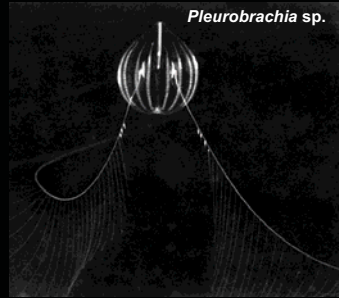
## Cl. Tentaculata



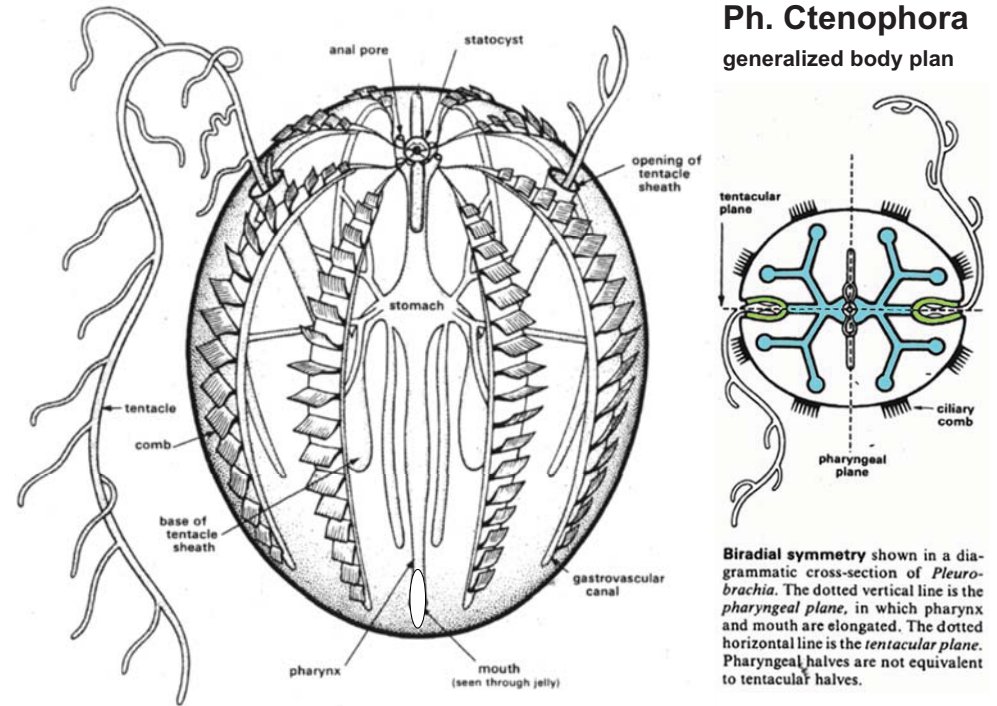
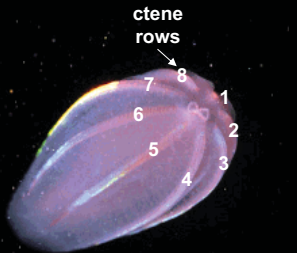
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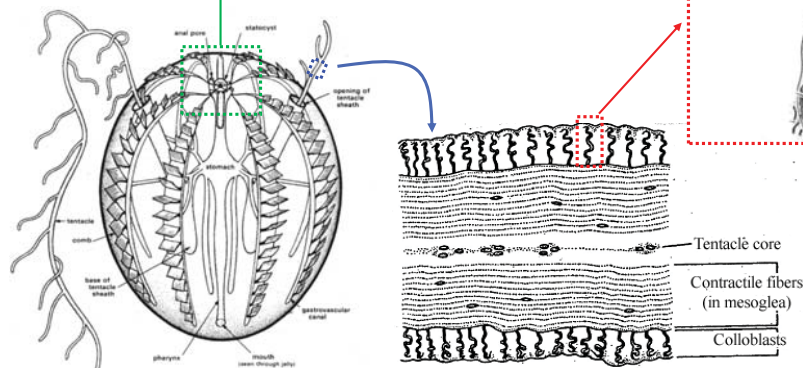
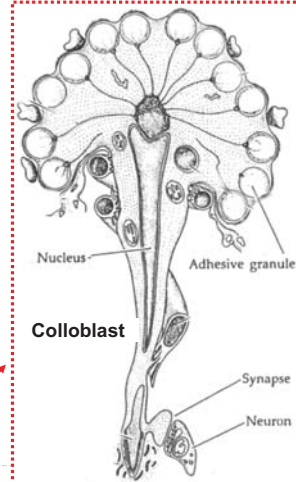
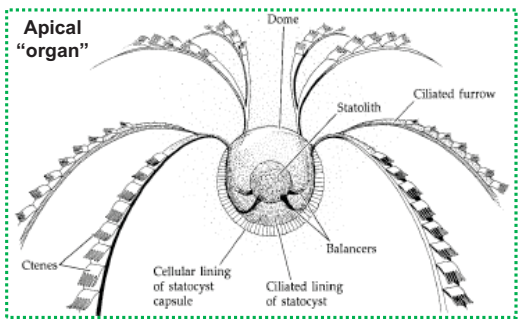


## Cl. Nuda



## Ph. Ctenophora generalized body plan

**Biradial symmetry** shown in a diagrammatic cross-section of *Pleurobrachia*. The dotted vertical line is the *pharyngeal plane*, in which pharynx and mouth are elongated. The dotted horizontal line is the *tentacular plane*. Pharyngeal halves are not equivalent to tentacular halves.



### Feeding Cl. Tentaculata

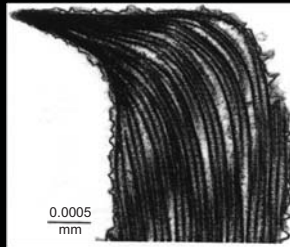
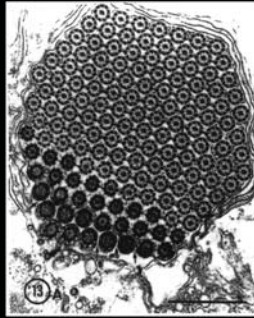
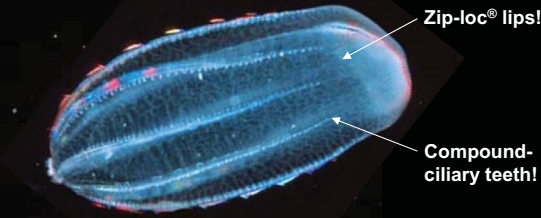
SECONDARY TENTACLE *Pleurobrachia*, Colloblasts, SEM BY PETER V. FANKBONER

Colloblast Head, Spiril Filament, Adhesive, SEM BY PETER V. FANKBONER

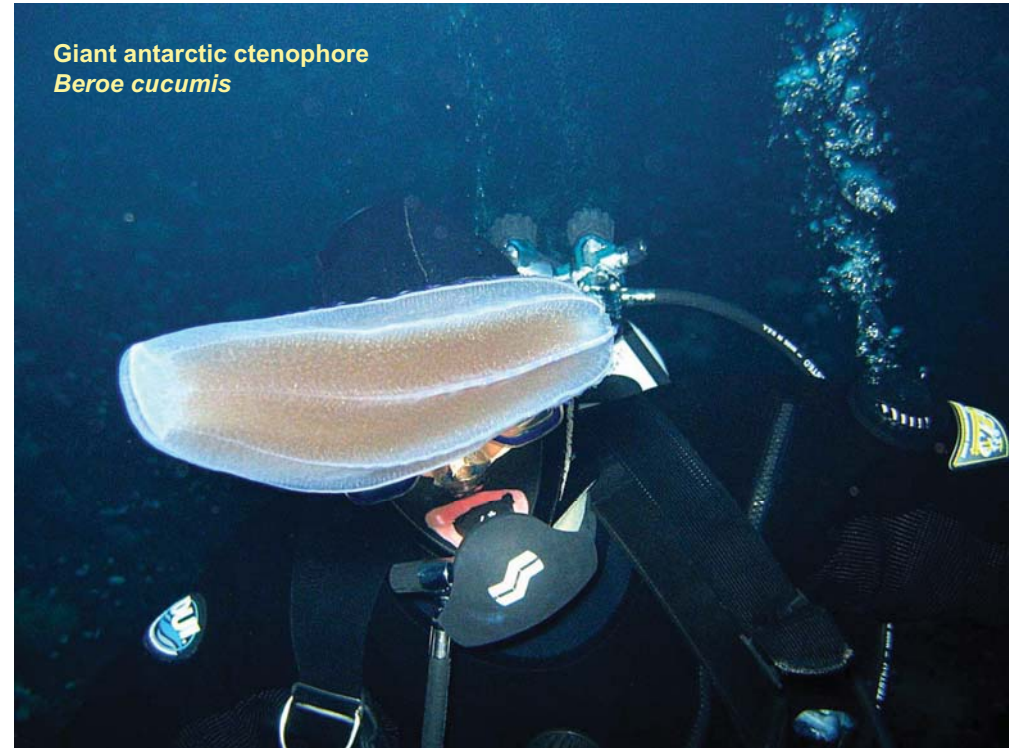


# Feeding

Cl. Nuda (O. Beroidae)

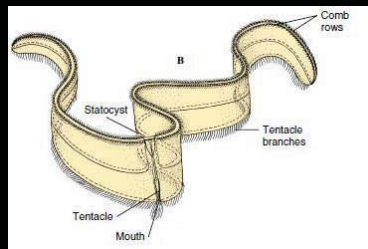
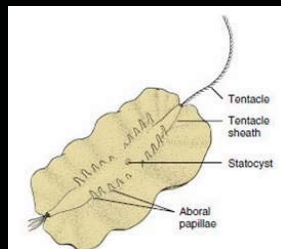
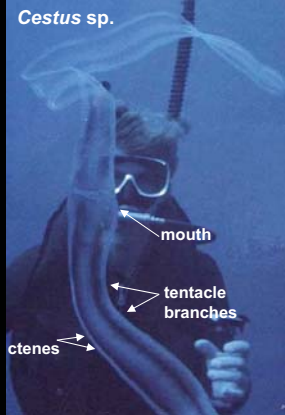


# Giant antarctic ctenophore *Beroe cucumis*



# Unusual tentaculates

*Coeloplana* sp.



# Jelly plankton: homology or homoplasy of habitat, transparency and feeding mode?



Life cycle	Alternating generations	Typical
Swimming mechanism	"Muscular" contractions	Ciliary (8 ctene rows)
Symmetry	Radial	Biradial
"Muscle"	Epithelial	True fibers?
Food capture (cell)	Cnidocyte	Colloblast
(structure)	Nematocyst	Colloblast
(control)	Independent effectors	Nervous control
Larval development	Planula (indirect)	Cydidippid (direct)
Cleavage	Indeterminate	Determinate

